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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Inventor(s): Richard P. Schneider****Examiner: Diaz, Jose R.****Serial No.: 09/680,726****Group Art: 2815****Filing Date: 10/05/2000****Title: A VCSEL Device With Improved Modal Properties****FAX RECEIVED****MAR 3 2003****TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800****Amendment**

Dear Sir:

In an Office Action, dated 3 December 2002, having a three-month statutory period for response expiring 11 July 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) A vertical cavity surface-emitting laser [, as defined in claim 1] comprising:

a device structure, having a height z and an aperture, including

an active layer having an upper and lower surface, and

upper and lower distributed Bragg reflectors on the upper and lower

surfaces of the active layer and adjacent thereto;